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"I'm a polluter," he said . . .

Students March For Peace

President Lewis O. Turner kicked off Earth Day by leading a party of students down Federal St. and Main St. to pick up gutter and sidewalk rubbish. The purpose of the activity was not to provide a permanent solution to pollution, but to symbolize the need to keep the Earth clean from man-made waste and pollution.

The keynote Earth Day address was given by Irving N. Esleek, president of Esleek Manufacturing Co. of Turners Falls, who said, "pollution is a matter of urbanization, a concentration of population — in other words, too many people in too little space."

"I'm a polluter," he said, "and so are every one of you, incidentally. Our mill has been operating since 1900 and as late as the 1950's we were told that we didn't have a pollution problem. The reason we do now is because the river is stagnant below the Turners Falls dam and above Cabot Station."

Esleek was originally scheduled to speak for an hour, but spoke for more than 2 1/2 hours before students ran out of questions.

In the late morning students buried an auto engine on the front lawn of the college with eulogies by faculty members

William Sweeney, Hartley Pfeil, and Virginia Low.

In the afternoon in a panel discussion on "The Morality of Waste," geologist Richard Little of the GCC faculty said that "we are in the beginning stages of an eco-catastrophe" as the discharge of carbon dioxide into the earth's atmosphere increases the temperature.

While the speeches were going on at the College, 10 hardy students led by recreation coordinator Thomas Foster put canoes into the Green River by the pumping station and started off down the river to get a first-hand view of pollution. The trip took 4 1/2 hours and covered about nine miles.

Recreation major Bob Spindel said, "The trip was good because I never realized how badly polluted Green River was. It was clear at the beginning of our trip, but we could gradually see it getting worse, and by the time we got down behind the junk yard on Deerfield St. it was really bad, with sludge all over the side of the bank — and it smelled."

One room at the college was set aside for a variety of slide shows, films, and video tapes, while in another room various exhibits were displayed, in-

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Greenfield Community College joined most of the nation's colleges and universities this spring in a national student "strike" protesting the invasion of Cambodia by American and South Vietnamese forces, and the killing of four Kent State University students by Ohio National Guardsmen.

About 125 students and faculty members attended an initial rally on Wednesday, May 6, during which a variety of opinions were offered about the appropriate GCC student response to the strike call. The debate, which although spirited, was always under the control of student moderator Brian McKenna.

The next day, May 7, there was more talk, more meetings, and an outdoor rally in the evening in front of the Main Building. It had been rumored that local National Guardsmen had been alerted in case of trouble, but the rumor proved to be false and the rally was carried off without incident. Following the rally, the group moved inside the building to continue discussions and to have coffee and hot chocolate.

By Friday, May 8, GCC students had worked out a plan which included holding workshops, and conducting a door-to-door educational campaign.

Carolyn Grant asked Greenfield selectmen for a permit to hold a silent march on Monday, and Sheila LaGranada asked that the flag on the town common be lowered to half-mast in memory of all who had died in the war in Southeast Asia, and in memory of the four students killed at Kent State University.

Selectmen granted both requests, complimenting GCC students on their rational response to the Kent State tragedy. However, once the flag had been lowered by order of the selectmen, an irate townsman raised it back to the top of the pole and another townsman asked Town Counsel Arthur Walder to check the law on the selectmen's legal right to order the flag lowered.

The town counsel reported that the selectmen were within their rights, and the police and selectmen advised the irate flag raiser to respect their decision to have the flag flown at half-mast for twenty-four hours. A group of GCC students sat around the base of the pole for the remainder of Friday afternoon to see that the selectmen's decision would be respected.

The weekend was officially quiet, although many students

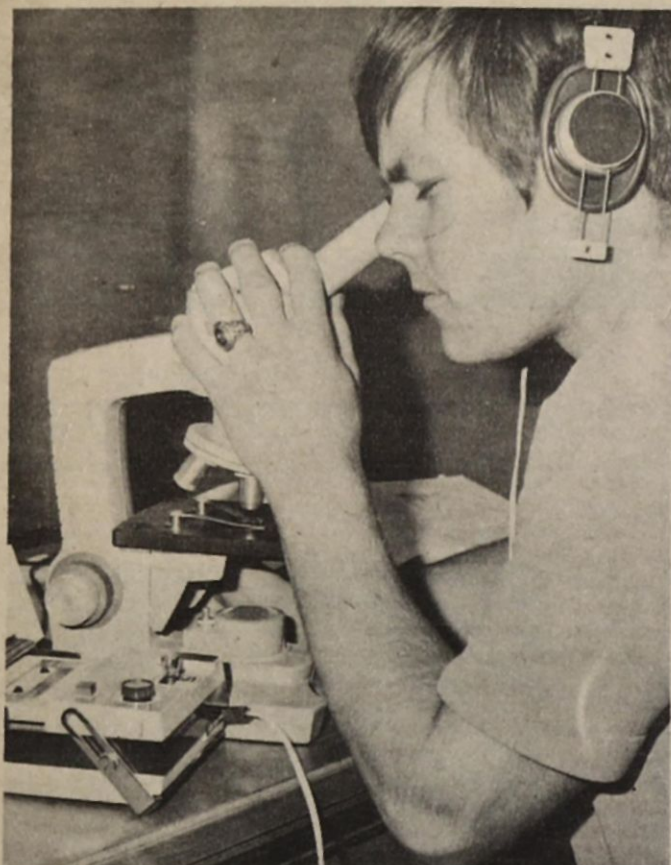
were meeting privately to talk and plan.

On Monday, May 11, the silent march was held, using the theme "Give Peace a Chance." The parade was led by student Larry Garland and Assistant to the Dean of Faculty Vincent Procida. The parade went without incident, and was followed by an outdoor rally in front of the Main Building at which the Rev. Norman R. Farnum, Jr., pastor of Second Congregational Church, spoke briefly.

On Tuesday evening, May 12, GCC students were given an hour's air time on WHAI AM & FM for a panel discussion. Participating were Harold LeVanway, editor of the Greenfield Recorder, students Kevin Maloney, Jerry Cray, and Rusty Cleveland, GCC faculty member John Kazar, and Forum editor Arthur Shaw, who acted as moderator.

During the first half hour, the panelists stated their own positions on the issues of the invasion of Cambodia and the national student protest of this action. During the second half hour, telephone calls were solicited from the WHAI listening audience. About ten questions were received and all but one answered. The last ques-

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PAUL KANE uses a microscope in the botany lab as he listens to tape recorded instructions from the professor. This approach to audio-tutorial teaching is called the Postlethwait Method. —GCC Photo.

New Method Used To Teach Botany

By DONALD OBERACKER

An experiment in learning technology is being carried out at Greenfield Community College through a course in introductory botany being taught by an audio-tutorial method.

The botany course is designed as follows: Once a week students gather for a 50-minute general assembly in the auditorium, where they may be exposed to any combination of the following: lecture for orientation on key points related to the week's lesson, a guest speaker, or a film on the week's lesson.

Each student is assigned to a three hour block of time once a week in what is known as the independent study session. Upon entering the independent study session laboratory, the student picks up a sheet which points out explicitly the objectives of the week's lesson.

The first part, which is approximately 30 to 40 minutes, is devoted to discussing the objectives of last week's lesson. The emphasis is on student participation. Then the student goes to a booth, where from a

taped series of learning experiences, he gets instructions to accomplish the week's objectives.

Through individually operated tape recorders the pre-recorded voice of the instructor gives explanations and directives for the week's unit of study.

While listening the student studies or labels diagrams in workbooks, completes written problems, reads parts of the textbook, and performs experiments. Sometimes the student is directed to turn off the tape recorder and watch a film loop or observe a demonstration. Working at the student's own pace, he repeats parts of the tape as necessary for mastery of the material. An instructor is on hand at all times to give individual help.

The audio-tutorial concept is thought to have originated a few years ago with Dr. S.N. Postlethwait, who designed it for a freshman botany course at Purdue University in an attempt to make adjustments for the diversity of backgrounds among students.

Male Nurse To Join GCC Faculty

The GCC nurses will have their first male instructor this fall. William R. Peters will join the faculty August 30.

Peters received his bachelors degree from Boston University in 1955, majoring in psychiatric nursing; his masters degree from Wayne State University in nursing education in 1961; and in 1965 received a diploma from the Laboratory of Community Psychology of Harvard Medical School in psychiatry and mental health. Since 1968 he has been studying at UMass.

Peters comes to GCC with wide experience; he has been a program supervisor for the high school careers program of the Massachusetts Association of Mental Health.

Peters was a pharmacist's mate third class in the US Navy from 1942 to 1944.

Two New Profs In Speech

GCC will get two new people in speech, one of whom will also work in theater.

Saul Greenblatt comes to Greenfield from Jefferson Community College in Watertown, N.Y., and Marylou Carroll comes to GCC from Smith College, where she will receive a master of fine arts degree in theater at this year's commencement.

Greenblatt is a graduate of Emerson College in Boston and has a diploma in Russian from the US Army Language School.

Miss Carroll did her undergraduate work at Our Lady of the Elms in Chicopee and has taught in two high schools and part-time at Holyoke Community College. She has worked in children's theater in Somers Connecticut and at Mt. Tom, Massachusetts.

GCC Computer Studied

The computer installation at Greenfield Community College has been studied by another area college.

Two officials of American International College in Springfield recently visited Greenfield Community College to see the IBM installation and learn how it is being used for instructional and administrative purposes.

Roland Aubin, an instructor, and Gerald Root, chairman of the math department of AIC investigated the use of computers as teaching tools as well as for administrative data processing. They are interested in applying computer technology to scheduling, printing class rosters, billing, and for research in mathematics, psychology and science.

The computer at Greenfield Community College is used both for instructional purposes and for administrative data processing.

Persons interested in computer science technology may apply for admission to Greenfield Community College's computer science technology program, or may take evening division courses. During the spring semester, two courses in computer technology were offered in the evening division: COBOL, the business programming language for computers, and FORTRAN, the scientific programming language.

Industries Use GCC Courses

GCC is not only an educational institution for college students, but for the whole community as well. This year, in addition to day and evening classes, GCC has offered several important community educational experiences.

One was a "Zap the Gap" symposium on middle age — the forgotten generation. This was held in February in cooperation with the Greater Greenfield Council of Churches and presented to the community several very fine speakers. Among them was F. Marrot Sinex, professor of biochemistry at Boston University School of Medicine. Dr. Merle R. Ingraham, a local psychiatrist, who is a consultant to GCC, also spoke.

Vincent Procidia, Assistant to the Dean of Faculty, and speech specialist, gave a four week quickie course to the Industrial Management Club in "Oral Communication — A Key To Success." The assumption on which the course was based is that communication is interaction — a two-way street between speaker and learner or sender and receiver.

This spring GCC is offering two courses to local industries: one in speed reading to the management team of the Erving Paper Company, and the other to the assistant foremen of the Kendall Company in Griswoldville in human relations skills. GCC faculty member Arthur Hannan is teaching the reading course and UMass Prof. Steven Michael is teaching the foremen interpersonal skills.

Both courses are being offered off campus at the industrial sites. These programs are directed by Mrs. Ethel Case, Director of the Division of Continuing Education and Community Services.



GCC Drops 6, Wins 14 — Goes To Tournament

By COACH DON RICE

The GCC basketball team completed a fine season with an overall record of 14 wins and 6 losses. The highlight of the season came at the state community college tournament, where after winning preliminary play-off games against Holyoke and Berkshire, GCC faced the top team in the commonwealth — Massasoit Community College.

A fine performance by the entire team, and particularly by Tim Kachelmeyer, enabled GCC to upset Massasoit 82-77. The next night GCC lost, however, to Massachusetts Bay Community College 67-64.

The game was close throughout, but the taller Mass. Bay team prevailed in the last minutes.

The GCC team was led all season by the outstanding play of Tim Kachelmeyer, who averaged 24 points per game, Hank Tenny, who averaged 19 points per game, and Ed Thurston, Mitch Bethel and Bill Sharpton, who averaged 10 points each per game.

The other members of the squad, Leon Lefebvre, John Nardacci, Bill Richardson and Ken Pirtle also contributed much to the successful season.

The team was coached by Don Rice and Art Hannan.



BRIAN MARSH as Henry gives Sue Begin's Luisa a thespial hug before a performance of "The Fantasticks" given this year by GCC students. —GCC Photo.

The Fantasticks Are Fantastic

By CHRIS POWERS

The GCC Theatre Department concluded this year's productions with its presentation of "The Fantasticks" in April. This musical, shown successfully on Broadway since its opening in 1961, deals with the theme of seasonal rebirth within a simply presented and well-developed story of innocence maturing into experience through its encounter with the harshness of the world. Under the careful direction of Miss Yolanda Reed and Assistant Director Gail Terlikoski, the cast's efforts indicated a fine competence and an intelligent perception of both their individual roles and of the play as a whole. The interaction among the players evidenced a strong rapport among the cast which

increased the effectiveness of their presentation.

In the cast were Dan Patterson as El Gallo; Larry Garland as Matt; Sue Begin, Luisa; Chuck Milkey and Peter Ryan as the fathers; Hugh Sears, Mortimer; Jim Atkins playing the mute; and Brian Marsh as Henry. The music was directed by Jim Whitney and accompanists were Chris Powers at the piano and Mrs. Anita Titworth on the harp.

Requests for touring were received by several area high schools. While the cast were able to bring "The Fantasticks" to Pioneer Valley Regional High, where it was enthusiastically received by the students, it was not possible to perform the play at other places.

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tion could not be answered because of lack of time.

While these activities were going on, a variety of workshops were being held at different times so that students could attend without cutting classes. Some were led by GCC faculty members, and two were led by members of the community: Representative Allan McGuane and folk singer Mike Gramlich.

But through it all, even though the rallies and demonstrations were given the name "strike," classes went on and the school continued to function.

In an article in the Greenfield Recorder, Assistant Managing Editor Alvin F. Oickle, who is also faculty advisor to the UMass Collegian, said:

"...give the kids time. That's the one thing they have going for them. Let them build up the traditions of love and peace on their picket lines. Let them develop attitudes of brotherhood that man has been muttering for centuries but never really understanding.

"Give these young people the time and the opportunity and maybe, just maybe, they will get across to the rest of us just what it is they want."

Right on!

GCC has three buildings: an old schoolhouse, an old plumbing warehouse, and an old factory. But someday...

By CHRIS POWERS

Our crack GCC Ski Team, under the furtive guise of an unassuming college outing club, descended en masse upon Mt. Ascutney over the winter vacation for three days of intensive Olympic training under ace coach Thomas Foster. The more important berths on the U.S. Olympic Team were debated and it was decided to enter a GCC candidate in the competition for The Most Consistently Rewarding Tumbling Exhibitions On Slope. It was generally agreed that any foreign competition in this field would fall far short of our own local product.

The more significant philosophical and religious queries of the day were considered and duly dismissed in the evening seminars. Anyone desiring the last word on these pertinent issues may consult any outing club member — none of whom, it should be cautioned, showed any noticeably soaring talents for brevity of detail or conciseness of statement. Members may be identified by their surpassingly fine suntans and a somewhat disconcerting propensity to expound at formidable lengths their own singular style of Attacking The Mountain. Unfortunately, the team's numbers were mysteriously decimated at one point. It seems that certain brash members insisted upon reading the thermometer at the top of the mountain and, upon finding it at -10 de-

grees, they gravely descended the slopes and quietly disappeared. The matter is currently under investigation.

Despite rumors to the contrary, the GCC Ski Team officially denies reports that Mr. Daniel ("Black Baron") LaRose made several futile attempts to do in his elder colleague, Dr. Edward Dolhenty, by pushing him off the chairlift for professional profit and no little personal satisfaction.

Also refuted are accounts that the former was wont to slip furtively into the woods and leaping out at the bewildered doctor in a last ditch attempt to scare him down the mountain. The doctor spent the greater part of the trip looking puzzled and glancing surreptitiously in the direction of his feet, as if trying to determine how the skis got there.

A short reconnaissance mission took the college's redoubtable legion to Stowe in February to check out the competition and model the racing stripes on their parkas. Recent developments prompted this intrepid band to attack the Connecticut River in sailboats, and a canoeing expedition was launched on Earth Day to acclaim the state of our local waterways. Details on these later ventures are filtering back slowly. Anyone desiring more information about this motley aggregation should approach (slowly, calmly) an outing club member for further tidings.



STUDENT GOVERNMENT President Kusty Cleveland presents GCC President Lewis O. Turner with the Battered Hubcap Award for picking up the most rubbish during the Earth Day Clean-up. The hubcap was one of the trophies found in the gutter. —GCC Photo.

Earth Day-- (Continued from Page One)

cluding one by Greenfield Tap and Die describing their treatment of waste oil products. The GCC library had two displays, one of articles from journals dealing with environmental problems, the other a display of books provided by Charles Miller, proprietor of the World Eye Bookstore on Federal St.

In the evening Rep. Allan McGuane gave an address on "A Clear and Present Danger." He said, "the triple threat of over-population, famine and disease can easily make this

world uninhabitable in our lifetime...There is a clear and present danger now confronting the human race. We are faced with a slow...or perhaps rapid demise of the world as we know it today...It will do little good to march and demonstrate against the utility companies if we continue to demand greater power for our comfort. It will do little good to prohibit air and noise pollution from certain segments of society if the majority of us insist on our inalienable right to a so-called good life."

Introducing--



DEAN JAY PADGUG and his children, Joel and Sariva, enjoy an evening of music. —GCC Photo.

Besides being an experienced teacher and capable administrator, GCC's Dean Jay Padgug is a professional musician.

He went from P.S. 147 on East Broadway to Stuyvesant High School, where, he says, he quickly learned that he was not made for science and math — the school's specialties.

He got into music early through school glee clubs and orchestras. In high school he did combo work with the saxophone and clarinet, and joined the musicians' union, local 802, so that he could play club dates.

The son of a Russian immigrant who became a lawyer, Dean Padgug was brought up in a traditional Jewish home, and before his voice changed sang alto in religious choral work in Jewish synagogues. As a youngster he sang with Richard Tucker, who started as a cantor and is now the leading tenor for New York's Metropolitan Opera.

After high school, Dean Padgug entered Brooklyn College,

only to get drafted out of his second semester. He took basic training at Fort Bragg, and then went to Germany. Because of his musical abilities, he was assigned to the U. S. Army Soldier Shows and travelled all over Germany entertaining U. S. troops.

Following his discharge from the military, he returned to Brooklyn College, transferred to New York University, got his BA and MA, and then while teaching started work on his EdD at Teachers College of Columbia University. As a young teacher and during his doctoral residency at TC, Dean Padgug drove a cab in New York City and sold shoes and unmentionables in a ladies' specialty shop in New York.

In 1948 he married Barbara Karp, who is now a staff accountant for the firm of Roy B. Chapin & Co. of Greenfield. The Padgugs have two children, Joel, who is fifteen and a student at Mt. Hermon and Sariva, who is a seventh grader.



Police Learn Spanish

To show how things have changed, in 1919 Theodore Roosevelt sent a letter to the All-American Festival in New York saying:

"We have room for but one language here, and that is the English language, for we intend to see that the crucible turns our people out as Americans, and not as dwellers in a polyglot boarding house."

He meant that all Americans should speak English.

That may be the ideal, but the fact remains that many people living in America do not speak English. The Puerto Ricans living in the Connecticut River Valley are an example: many of them speak only Spanish.

The Northampton Police Department while perhaps agreeing with T. R. in principle, is nevertheless coming to grips

with the realities of contemporary America and has made arrangements for its officers to learn Spanish so they can communicate effectively with the Spanish-speaking Puerto Ricans.

A college course in beginning Spanish was given this past year at the Northampton Police Station by the Northampton Center of the Division of Continuing Education of Greenfield Community College. The Northampton Center of Greenfield Community College is a cooperative venture with the Northampton public schools. Seventeen officers are enrolled.

The Northampton Police Department already has officers who are fluent in Polish, Russian, French and Italian.

"But up until now," Chief James J. Whelan said "nobody has been able to speak Spanish, and because of the great increase in the number of Spanish speaking people here in the community, we feel we'd like to learn their language and try to learn something their background and their customs, so that it would lead to a greater understanding between the Police Department and these people. This is why we have arranged this course."

The course was in conversational Spanish and was taught by GCC instructor Edgardo Rothkegel-Ortuzar. Rothkegel-Ortuzar is a native of Chile and attended Catholic University in Santiago and the University of Massachusetts.

THE FORUM

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Welcome To The Forum

We hope you will enjoy this issue of the Forum. Having only limited space, we had no hope of printing everything that could have — and should have — been printed. But we have tried to provide at least a fleeting glimpse of some of the highlights of the 1969-70 academic year at GCC.

The Forum is published by Greenfield Community College for the entire college community to give the news, provide a forum for the discussion of those ideas and issues which are of interest and importance to the GCC community, to serve as a liaison between the College and the alumni, the Greenfield Community College Foundation, and the general public, and to provide a workshop for students enrolled in journalism courses: a formidable task for a little paper.

The President of the College is the publisher of the Forum, the Public Information Officer the Executive Editor. Next fall we will appoint a Student Associate Editor and an Editorial Board.

The Forum will try (human failings being what they are, please put the emphasis on "will try") to report the news of the College impartially, to accept letters to the editor and opinion critical of the administration, providing they are responsible and signed by the writer. A more complete statement of policies will be published in September.

Until then we welcome you to our humble pages and hope that you will enjoy them. Please feel free to submit material, give your suggestions, and your criticisms. Your support will also be gratefully received.

And have a good summer.

AWS

From The President . . .

This has been a most active and successful year at Greenfield Community College. The emergence of student concern in national problems demonstrated that our faith in youth has been well placed. The president of our student government was elected to the State Advisory Commission and serves on our board of trustees. He has made valuable contributions to the Board's deliberations.

Our athletic teams have done extremely well, both men and women. While we do not push athletics, we should be proud of their accomplishments.

The faculty and administrative staff have gone the second mile this year in providing for an extra one hundred students, securing and carrying through several federal projects, extensive committee work and curriculum revision.

This summer our counselors, ten members of the faculty and twenty second year students will be working to improve our advising and counseling services, sponsored by a federal grant.

The graduating class of 1970 will number about two hundred and will be the largest class to date. We have come a long way since the College opened in 1962 with 125 students. Much work remains if we desire to build a top quality institution. Education is an exciting enterprise and provides us with the means for a richer and fuller life experience.

Sincere thanks to all who have helped make this year our best.

Lewis O. Turner



PAT COLLINS clouts one in the game against Holyoke Community College. —GCC Photo.

GCC Gals Wind Up Softball

The Greenfield Community College girls' softball team has completed its season with a 5-3 record. GCC scored 181 runs to its opposition's 54.

Carla Kabaniec led the team's batting assault with a .690 batting average, including three home runs. Judy Connell was a few points back with a .666 average. The GCC squad had 13 players with averages over .300.

Pat Prunier was the ace of the pitching staff, allowing only 44 runs in 35 innings pitched. Miss Prunier walked 20 and whiffed 21. Judy Wnek was also a mound stalwart for GCC.

Miss Prunier and Kitty Connolly were team co-captains this spring.

GCC will lose Miss Kabaniec, Ann Shaughnessy, Miss Connolly, Sue Corbett, Gail Olander, Miss Prunier and Andrea Poulin through graduation.

Engineers In Field For Summer

Students enrolled in Civil Engineering Technology will spend the summer in the field, according to engineering prof. David C. Bartlett.

Peter Murphy, David Stone, and Michael Vielmetti will work for the New York State Department of Transportation; Gary O'Kula, Ben Schiappa, and Victor Giard will work for the Vermont Highway Department; William Richardson will work for the Greenfield Department of Public Works; Ronald Streeter for Ainsworth Associates, an engineering and surveying firm in South Deerfield; James Kolasko and Richard Brazeau for Almer Huntley Associates; Richard Riemer for the Town of Needham, Massachusetts; and William Osley for Osley Construction Company.



See You In The Fall.

185 Graduate From GCC

One hundred and eighty-five students will graduate today from Greenfield Community College, according to Dean of Students, Robert B. Keir.

Commencement speaker will be U.S. Representative Silvio O. Conte, who represents Franklin County in Washington.

In what is probably a "first" in the Commonwealth, GCC student Rusty Cleveland will award graduates their degrees. Cleveland is the student representative on the Massachusetts Board

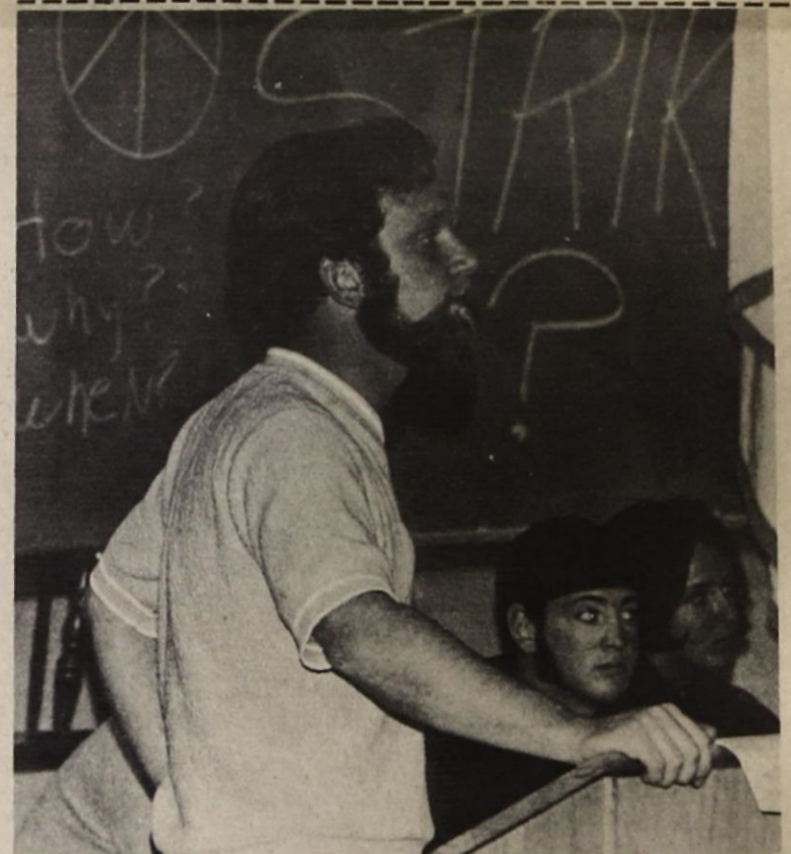
of Regional Community Colleges. Ironically, however, he will not be receiving a degree himself: he has completed only three semesters of the four required for graduation.

An Eminent Service Award will also be given for outstanding service to the college.

In the afternoon the annual President's Reception for members of the graduating class and their families will be held at the Thomas Memorial Country Club in Turners Falls.



"WE'RE THE BEST," says Lani Kenyon, as the GCC Cheerleaders picked up a trophy for the best effort at the Massachusetts Community Colleges Basketball Tournament. The champion cheerers were Sherry Gaveline, Lani Kenyon, Nancy Mailey, Liz Pokladok, Debbie Sidilau, and Judy Wnek. —GCC Photo.



BRIAN McKENNA, new president of the GCC student government, conducted the first student strike rally on May 6. While the discussion was spirited and sometimes even heated, McKenna kept a steady hand on the meeting and guided it through without incident. —GCC Photo.

Students Elect McKenna

Brian McKenna has been elected President of Student Government to succeed Rusty Cleveland. McKenna is a sophomore who has been active in the student peace movement at GCC.

Stephen Flynn was elected Treasurer of Student Government and Anne Coache President of the Sophomore Class.

Student Government Representatives for the coming year will be: Douglas MacLeay, Dennis Putnam, Joyce Labrie, and Robert Cadran.

James Murphy was elected Representative to the Student Advisory Board.